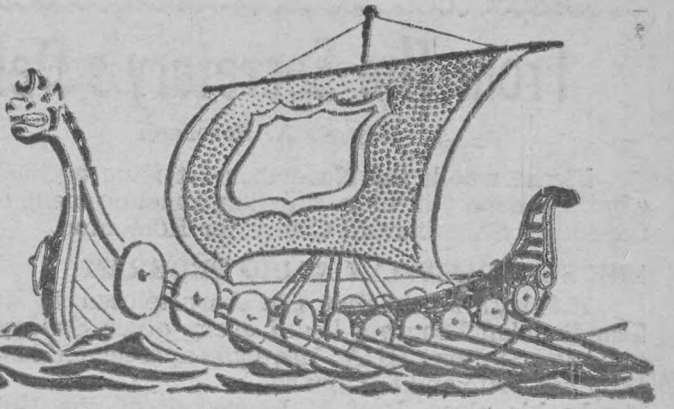




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Icelandic Society

Wednesday, September 20, will long be remembered by the Icelandic communities in Alberta. It was indeed a great honor to have the opportunity of welcoming such a distinguished guest as the President of the Republic of Iceland, His Excellency, Asgeir Asgeirson and his presidential party. As the silver-colored airplane taxied in after a landing at the Penhold RCAF Station, even the surrounding landscape enhanced the scene with its colorful autumn display.

The personnel of the Station co-operated with the Provincial Government in tendering a State Dinner in the Officers' Mess, presided over by Hon. Mr. Jorgenson, who introduced the visitors to the assembled representative Iceland folk from Red Deer, Markerville, Innisfail, Calgary and Edmonton.

To commemorate the occasion gifts were offered to President Asgeirson—a silver tray, suitably engraved, from the Central Alberta Icelanders; a gavel and block fashioned from native wood by the well-known naturalist, Kerry Wood, and inscribed as a gift from the Stevenson family; a set of cuff links together with Kerry Wood's book, from the City of Red Deer. Earlier, the central committee had presented a beautiful bouquet of red roses to the charming wife of His Excellency, Fru Dora Thorhallsdottir.

To facilitate the travelling of the entire party to visit at the early pioneer district of Markerville, an RCMP escort led the cavalcade of motor cars, West, to the family burial plot of the late and revered poet, Stephan G. Stephansson, where a wreath of remembrance was placed on the memorial by the President. A short distance away, the home of the poet and his family stood—weather-beaten in the Alberta sunshine—no longer occupied, yet holding memories of the long evening hours spent writing and composing his inspired poetry. The entourage then motored to Stephansson Field, near Markerville, where the President placed another wreath on the cairn which was erected to his memory by the National Historical Sites and Monuments Board.

The Icelandic ladies of the district entrained the assembly at a coffee party in Fensala Hall where President Asgeirson gave his main address, after having been cordially welcomed by Mr. Einar Stephansson of Red Deer, Chairman of the Central Alberta reception committee. The President and members of his party endeavoured to speak personally to each one present, learning the ancestral localities in Iceland from whence each family came. Due to their earnest and sincere interest in tracing the ties which united them, the distinguished visitors won the affection of all who gathered to greet them.

Time was all too short. The ever courteous and ever efficient Air Force permitted extra minutes for friendly hand-shaking before transporting the party to the Municipal Airport and on to the Macdonald Hotel, in Edmonton.

When the Icelandic Society of Ed-

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Edmonton hosted a banquet in the Macdonald to honor the Head of State of one of our neighborly NATO countries and his travelling companions, Mr. Wm. Halldorson acted as master of ceremonies. Seated at the head table were the guest of honor and his charming wife, his aide-de-camp, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Halmrast, representing the Provincial Government; Mayor and Mrs. Roper, representing the City of Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. Harald Kroyer, Secretary to the President, Mrs. Wm. Halldorson and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Eyford.

Other noted guests included included Mr. Grettir Leo Johannson of Winnipeg, Consul for the three Western Provinces; Mr. and Mrs. Finn-bogi Gudmundson of Iceland; Mr. and Mrs. Eric Stefanson of Gimli, acting as official escort from the Federal Government, and the two daughters of the poet, Stephan G. Stephansson—Mrs. Jenny Sigurdson and Rosa Benediktson.

Mrs. Decosse, of St. Paul, Alta., sang in Icelandic 'O, Gud Vars Lands' and 'O Canada' accompanied by Mrs. G. Roland at the piano. The invocation was read by Mrs. Don Cameron. Greetings from the local society were expressed by Mr. Glen Eyford, chairman of the reception committee. A gift of an onyx pen and holder desk-set was given the honored guest on behalf of the local Society by Mr. Halldorson.

In his reply to the many speeches of welcome the president graciously thanked all for the many courtesies extended his party. He appreciated seeing the Icelandic strain in the many faces he observed in his travels, and likened the addition of Icelandic settlers in the Canadian scene to a stained glass window where the contribution of so small a country, as Iceland, might be only a little piece of the whole but a very valuable hue in the color scheme.

The evening was brought to a formal close by the singing of 'Eld-gamla Isafols' and 'God Save The Queen'—led by the delightful voice of Mrs. Decosse. Many guests availed themselves of the opportunity of a personal welcome to the friends

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Finnish Society

As the Socials begin again this Fall, we hope that you will come and join in the fun on October 6th, at the McCauley Hall. A short program will commence at 8:30 p.m., which will be followed by refreshments & dancing. An orchestra will be in attendance. Let's make this evening a big success by coming out and joining in the fun.

Mrs. K. Hook would like to thank her Finnish friends for the assistance she received during her husband's recent illness. Thank you.

Birthday greetings to Mrs. J. Rama, Mr. V. Rastas, Mr. T. Nahkuri, Mr. J. Sahuri Mr. J. Luoma and Mr. R. Vesaniemi, who will be celebrating their birthdays in October.

A baby shower was held for Mrs. T. Salomaa at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sahuri, on September 12th.

Wishes for a speedy recovery go to Mr. K. Hook who has been in the University Hospital for some time.

A CORRECTION:

In connection with the item in last month's issue regarding the Bursary an important point was omitted by error. This point reads as follows: In the case that there are two applicants who apply for the bursary, each one will be given the amount of twenty-five dollars.

Vasa Lodge

Nordstjarnan No. 575

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown have returned from a month long holiday in Sweden, where Mr. Brown visited his father, who at the age of 82 years still enjoys good health. A few lodge members assembled at Nisku Airport on August 5th to welcome them back.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Anderson attended their son's wedding at Grande Prairie on August 26th. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. G. Krause and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sjogren.

Sherry Edin had the misfortune of breaking her arm while horse-back riding.

Mr. and Mrs. John Remin spent the long weekend visiting relatives and friends in Medicine Hat.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bloedel have returned from a holiday at the Coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Sondell from Canal Flats, B.C., were visiting with the Adolph and John Holmlund's this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Sjolund and Mr. and Mrs. C. Robins attended the Sjolund Family Reunion at Ma-Me-O Beach on September 3rd.

The October meeting of the Lodge will be held at Gus Tabler's on October 7th at which time arrangements will be made for a Lute-fish supper.

DANIA

(Danish Society)

The annual general meeting, with election of new Board members for the coming year; discussion of past, present and future affairs of our Society, will take place on Wednesday, October 25th, in the Eastwood Community Hall, 8524-118 Avenue. It is of the utmost importance that you, our members, attend this meeting. It is here you should come forth with your complaints, if any, or your suggestions for a better and stronger Club. The past year may not have been as spectacular as some other years, but perhaps you, Dear Members, have just the idea or suggestion that could put next year down in the books as the best ever. It would be especially gratifying to see a strong representation for our affiliated groups—such as the Football Club, the Gymnastic Club and the Handball Club—this has been noticeably lagging in the past. Please let us make this year exceptional in that respect. Let us all meet on October 25th. We will close the meeting over a cup of coffee.

—A.A.

DANIA F. C. SOCCER NEWS

The 1961 Soccer season is over. Another year filled with exciting games has come to an end, and I wish to take this opportunity to thank all our fans who took time to attend our games. However, it is a shame to note how the Danish people in Edmonton seem to have forgotten the national game—Soccer. In comparison to other nation's team's, who draw hundreds of fans to each game, to cheer and urge their players on, the number of fans appearing at our games are pitifully few. What is the reason? Are the Danish people too busy, or is our performance on the football field not good enough? Then again, fans, perhaps our players only need more support and encouragement.

Dania Football Club is now six years old. At that time, some of our players were not young men, as football players go. We need new blood every year to keep our Club strong and active and I sincerely hope to see a large number of young men join our Club during the coming season.

In my humble opinion this year's performance on the field has been the best since our start, six years ago. Out of twenty games—Dania won 13, tied two and lost five. In the play-off for the Dragoon Cup—Dania went to the quarter finals and in the President Cup games, Dania won the Martins Cup.

Each year, it has been our custom to end the Season with a good old-fashioned celebration. This year it will take place on October 13th, in the South Side Legion Hall, 10416-81 Avenue, commencing at 7:00 p.m., with Smorgasbord, (Kold Bord) Schnapps and Beer. Dancing will follow with music being provided by a good orchestra. Tickets will be sold in advance only, none will be available after Wednesday, October 11th. Please refer to Ad. on Page 4 regarding Tickets.

—Erling Peterson

The Freja Handball Club of Edmonton held its annual general meet-

Vasa Lodge

Skandia No. 549

The last meeting of Skandia Lodge was held at Vasa Park on September 2nd. It was announced that Gus Johnson has been appointed District Deputy.

There are now three cabins for sale at Vasa Park—Mrs. Ella Pettersen's, Bill Sol's and Joe Malsten's.

Eric Pierse was elected chairman for the Smorgasbord which will be held on October 28th.

It was decided to start the Fall meetings at 7:00 p.m. rather than at 6:30 p.m. as in the past.

Lunch was served after the meeting and dancing followed until midnight. The next meeting will be held at the I.O.O.F. Temple on October 7th. Dancing will follow the meeting so bring your friends and have a good time.

LADIES' AID

The last Ladies' Aid Meeting was held on September 20th at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Modin. Thanks are given to all those who helped to make the chicken dinner a success. Special thanks to Mrs. Ella Pettersen for donating chickens.

The next meeting will be on October 14th at the home of Mrs. Beckstrom, 11603 - 102 Street. It is hoped a large number of ladies will attend as at this meeting arrangements will be made for the Smorgasbord.

BOWLING:

The first game of the season was held on Friday, September 15th, at the Windsor Bowling Alley, with 6 teams participating.

Henry Benstrom has left Edmonton to attend University in Oregon.

Mrs. Ranghild Johnson recently visited in Chicago where she attended her brother-in-law's funeral.

Mrs. Harold Markstrom and Mrs. Erland Markstrom were recent hostesses at a miscellaneous shower for Mrs. Johnson, the former Ann Berild. Mrs. Magnus Pearson and Mrs. Linnea Lodge were also hostesses at a shower on another occasion for Mrs. Johnson. Many useful gifts were presented.

Mrs. Dorothy Ekman and Mrs. Ellen Westling have been recent patients in hospital.

Skandia Lodge expresses deepest sympathy to Messrs. Oscar and Axel Modin on the death of their brother, Mr. Andrew Sund.

ing in the Masonic Temple. The new officers elected were:

President—Arne Christensen; Vice-President—Villy Olsen; Secretary—Eve Jespersen; Treasurers: Gerda Christensen and Preben Christensen.

The meeting was well attended but we hope to get more new members for the coming Season.

Our winter training will start on October 3rd, at the Strathcona High School, at 7:30 p.m.

The Handball Club wishes to thank the resigned committee for their splendid work which made this past year a very successful one.

EDITORIAL

From The Secretary's Desk

By S. A. Sorenson

Please watch the November 1st issue of the News for what we hope will be a startling announcement concerning the future Scandinavian Centre for Edmonton.

THE SCANDINAVIAN RADIO PROGRAM

It is with regret that Ole Aarnsteinsen is leaving the Scandinavian Program heard every other Sunday at 12:30 p.m. over Station CKUA. Have you appreciated his program? Why not write and tell him so.

In his place, Prof. H. Lennessen of the University of Alberta, will convene the Norwegian portion of the Scandinavian Hour. Be sure to listen to him on October 1st, 15th and 29th.

SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE AUTUMN DANCE —A HUGE SUCCESS

Between 500 and 600 people attended the Autumn Dance on September 23, at the Jubilee Auditorium. Mr. K. L. Svidal, as master of ceremonies, presented a fine dance program featuring Scandinavian music by Lillian Taylor and her orchestra.

The evening featured the following guest artists: James MacDonald, soloist: "The Harmonicas" directed by Nick Van Der Meent; "Lincoln" Rock and Roll Band directed by Bob Wagner; Gil Erickson with Banjo, as "Ole" and Wally Hepner in Old Time Fiddling.

There were many lucky winners of dance prizes. All enjoyed a cup of coffee and kringle while chatting with friends from near and far.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET

It has been a busy month for the Board of Directors. They met on August 25, September 12 and September 19. It is hoped their deliberations will soon bear fruit.

THE SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE EXHIBITION BOOTH

Under the able management of P. N. Christensen, the Directors are happy to announce a profit of \$802.62. Many thanks go to all, especially the ladies who so ably assisted in this year's successful operation of the booth.

Swedish Defence Minister On Military Preparedness, No Extraordinary Steps

The Soviet Union's resumption of atomic tests and the United States' consequent decision to follow the Russian example are a serious reminder of the current deterioration in the international situation, Defence Minister Sve Andersson said in a recent address at a military ceremony in Kristianstad in southern Sweden. We must, he continued, hold a firm course in our foreign policy and attend to our defence measures with vigilant care. An increase in our military preparedness by calling more men to arms, on the other hand, is not regarded as necessary. Our defence had for many years been geared for quick mobilization. The customary refresher courses and army manoeuvres, with the units organized as they would be in war, will as in previous years result in a temporary strengthening of the military preparedness during the fall. The navy and the air force are capable of an immediate change-over. The world is full of dangers, the defence minister added, but we are better prepared for a total defence effort than ever before.

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Icelandic Society

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from the Homeland of their forebears. In all it had been a most memorable day.

Mrs. Kristin Halldorson of Lundar, Man., made a stop-over in Edmonton on her way home from a visit to the West Coast. While here she was the guest at the homes of her two sons, John and Bill, and remained to enjoy the banquet festivities at the Macdonald.

Mrs. Fritz Berghorson has returned to her home in Lethbridge after spending the greater part of the summer in Edmonton, where her husband is district manager of the Enerson Bus Co. Ltd. Their second son, Kris, made a honeymoon trip to Salzburg, Austria, and has spent the last three months there studying Art Illustrating—his chosen vocation. His bride has been fortunate in receiving a Fellowship in Fine Arts. Following their stay in Austria they plan to reside in Great Britain.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Freda Smith, our assistant News reporter, and her mother, Mrs. H. C. Pepper, on the loss of Mr. Pepper, who passed away following surgery. Born in London, England, Mr. Herbert Charles Pepper came to Canada in 1888, settling in Ontario. He continued West in 1909 and settled in Edmonton, where he was employed by the City Engineering Department prior to his retirement in 1943. Burial was in the Edmonton Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Garnett have as their guest, Mrs. Garnett's sister, Mrs. F. Richardson of Winnipeg. While here they plan on a circle tour of Jasper, Banff and Calgary.

Friends of Dr. J. C. Jonason will join in congratulating him on the distinction he gained recently when named President-Elect of the Canadian Association of School Superintendents and Inspectors, at their annual meeting in Halifax. Dr. Jonason

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is an Inspector of Provincial High Schools for the Department of Education in Alberta.

Mr. John Hillman of Markerville attended the Icelandic banquet in Edmonton recently. While in the City he was a guest at the Macdonald Hotel.

The following from Red Deer, also attended the banquet: Mrs. Wm. Janssen, Mr. and Mrs. Einar Stephenson and Teddy Benediktson.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Johnson held a family re-union at their home when their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Leach, visited from Pullman, Washington. Mr. Leach is a student in Civil Engineering at the Washington State University and Mrs. Leach is an X-ray Technician at the Colfax Hospital.

Another daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Youngblut and their daughter, Shelley-Ann, of Dawson Creek, stopped over in Edmonton on their way to visit Mr. Youngblut's parents in London, Ont. They travelled East by air.

When Mr. and Mrs. Leach left Edmonton, by motor, to return to Pullman, they were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Leach, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Johnson. They planned a holiday trip back by way of Fairmont Hot Springs.

Mrs. Lloyd Newcombe was a visitor at the Curley Marvin home in

Golden Village for a few days while her little son, Rossie, was in hospital for a tonsilectomy.

Mr. J. T. Johansson of Winnipeg was the guest of the Eggertson family during the four-day festivities in connection with the State visit of the President of Iceland.

Mrs. Ena Sveinson of Red Deer has been the guest at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Sveinson, for the past several months. Tommy is with the Bank of Montreal, Jasper Avenue Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kolbinson, of Saskatoon, were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Johnson. Mr. Kolbinson is a collector of rare violins and has some very valuable early treasures in his collection.

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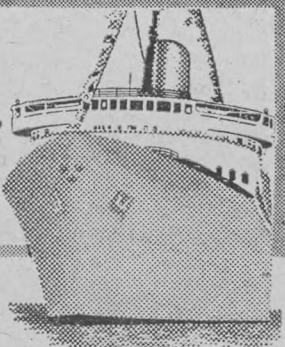
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Gala Lief Erickson Nite, October 14, Masonic Temple Auditorium

A new and different gala, Lief Erickson Nite, will feature a stage show, bingo, lunch and dancing. Jr. Director, A. Vanoni and his committee have arranged an outstanding evening. Participating in the stage show are members of the Jr. Lodge, Sons of Norway. A cache of five prizes will tempt bingo players following the show.

To complete the evening liting dance music has been arranged. During the evening coffee and lunch will be served. Everyone is invited to attend as the Jr. Lodge and the Ladies' Auxiliary co-operate to raise funds for the furtherance of Jr. Lodge Activities. The evening's schedule is as follows:

7:45 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.—stage show.
900 p.m.-10:00 p.m.—bingo
10:00 p.m.-12 midnight—Lunch and dancing.

Plan to attend. Tickets may be obtained from - Mr. A. Vanoni, Ph. 599-6281; Mrs. M. MacDonald, Ph. GE 3-8738; Mr. K. Adam, Ph. HU 9-2404.

Admission—\$1.00 for adults.
50c for children 12-16 years.
Free—under 12 years of age.

SALUTE TO "SYD NORGE"—OCTOBER 20th

In a delightfully decorative setting this Member's Social evening will pay tribute to those who like to remember Southern Norway. Preceded by a brief business agenda, Social Director, K. L. Svidal, assisted by members of the Ladies' Auxiliary and the hostess of the evening have planned entertainment and refreshments presented in an attractive and decorative style. You will want to be among those who will be able to say "I was there."

CLUB "OSLO"

Blue and white tapers with touches of red, blue and silver were featured in the decore when Mrs. A. Gulbrandsen, Sons of Norway, entertained on Friday, September 15th, at the Masonic Temple. The fifty members present applauded Mrs. Bulbrandsen's "fare" which featured 'Oslo' cake and an iced cake centerpiece depicting the Town Hall of Oslo. Attractive and typically Norwegian sandwiches were enjoyed with delicious coffee. Entertainment under the direction of Mrs. M. MacDonald followed. She was assisted by Mrs. K. Lubber, Mrs. N. Hovde and Mrs. J. MacDonald.

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NORWEGIAN LADIES' CLUB

Norwegian Ladies' Club members were hostesses at a Whist Party on September 13th, at the Masonic Temple. Prizes went to Mrs. M. MacDonald for Ladies' Whist, Mr. Peter Hansen for Men's Whist and to Mrs. Arntzen for Lady playing Gent. Those present had a very enjoyable evening.

The next regular meeting will be held on October 11th.

SONS OF NORWAY—LADIES' AUXILIARY

The next meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary will be held at the home of Mrs. K. Amdam on Friday, October 6th.

SUNRAY JR. LODGE

Members of the Sunray Jr. Lodge will rehearse in connection with their forthcoming participation in Lief Erickson Night activities, at their regular meeting which will be held Wednesday, October 11th, at the Milner Bldg. Auditorium.

Mrs. B. Thoreson of Bruce, Alberta, is residing at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. Logan.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Naversteth spent a brief, relaxing holiday in Jasper, Banff and Radium.

Mrs. H. Russell (nee Logan) and her daughter, Carol, of Frederickton, N.B., visited friends and relatives in Edmonton and district.

Miss Ruth Hammerstad spent her holidays visiting in Calgary and various points.

Friends regretted hearing that Mr. Joe Lineham has had to return to the University Hospital. Very best

wishes go out to Mr. Lineham with hopes that we will see him at our Lodge meetings soon.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Logan of Wetas-kiwin, had their daughter, Barbara, and son-in-law from Regina visiting recently.

Mr. H. Logan is back at the Park Hotel Barber Shop following the selling of his Kingsway Barber Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Valestrand and their son, Peter, returned by air from a two-month visit to Norway. The Valestrand's visited Bergen and other points.

A pleasant weekend in Banff was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. F. Jacobsen, and Leslie and Mr. and Mrs. A. Gulbrandson and Bjorn, who motored there together.

Mrs. O. Borgersen reports a very enjoyable visit to Norway. She and her son, Jon Erik, returned recently.

Mrs. E. Hinton is feeling much better after a month-long bout with a cold.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kemp recently visited in the Grande Prairie area where they had lived before moving to Edmonton.

Misses Kay and Betty McKevitt enjoyed a recent motor trip to Banff, Calgary and vicinity.

Miss I. Lagergren enjoyed Labor Day weekend in Banff.

Mrs. R. Toombs, the former Arlene Halberg, of Powell River, B.C., recently visited relatives in Alberta.

Mrs. S. Halberg was hospitalized recently in Tofield.

BOWLING-BY-LINE

Strikes, splits and spares launched the beginning of a new season for six teams of enthusiastic Sons of Norway bowlers, on September 12th, at the Windsor Bowl.

Teams and captains are as follows: Norsemen—Andy Mjaatveit. Vikings—Frank Johsrud. Northern Lights—Gordon Hafstad. Midnight Suns—Victor Larson. Trolls—Bernard Olafson. Fjords—Jack Scobie.

Edel Jacobsen began the new season with a 'bang,' capturing the honors for the highest women's single and triple scores. Bernard Olafson appears to be back in top form scoring the highest points for men's single and triple.

Anyone interested in watching the bowling is reminded that this year the Sons of Norway Bowlers meet every Tuesday night at 9:00 p.m. in the Windsor Bowl. Come out and cheer for your favourite team.

Medium Crops In Prospect

The Norwegian Director of Agriculture, in his report on harvest prospects at the end of August, figures with medium crops of hay and grain, less than average potatoes, and except for plums, only half as much fruit as in a medium year.

Hay crops are estimated at 10% of a medium year for the country as a whole, with variations from 98% to 118%. Barley, oats and rye are expected to yield medium crops, with rye doing somewhat better. Grains in East Norway show low water content—less than 20%—and good quality. Potato crops, varying from 108% in East Norway to 85% elsewhere, reportedly suffer from considerable dry-rot.

Meanwhile, agricultural statistics for 1960 reveal the rapid mechanization of Norwegian farming. In 1960, farmers owned some 60,000 tractors, 5,000 combines, and 40,000 milking machines, as against 45,000, 35,00 and 39,000, respectively in 1957.

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The Foreign Ministry's Office of Cultural Relations has bought a modern apartment to place it at the disposal of a foreign artist desiring to work in Norway for a limited period. Fully equipped, including bed linen, china and cutlery, the large studio will cost about Kr. 300 a month.

The apartment is located at Ekely, near Oslo, where Norwegian artists have built a colony on the estate formerly owned by the late Edvard Munch, the nation's greatest painter. Now housing fifty Norwegian sculptors, painters and designers, together with their families, the project was started about ten years ago. The plan was conceived by artists themselves. Joining a cooperative

building society, they persuaded the City of Oslo to buy the Munch property and lease it to them.

Most of the artist-occupied co-op houses at Ekely stand in short rows, though a few are detached. All of the homes have one feature in common: high-roofed, wide-windowed studios.

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Sweden's Conservative Party Has New Leader, Gunnar Heckscher

Professor Gunnar Heckscher has succeeded Jarl Hjalmarson as leader of Sweden's Conservative party. Mr. Hjalmarson assumed the leadership in 1950. The position of the Conservatives was then successively strengthened in the parliamentary elections, until last year when a setback occurred.

Nordic Foreign Ministers' Appeal

The five Nordic Foreign Ministers, after meeting in Copenhagen, Sept. 6-7, to discuss issues on the agenda of the forthcoming U.N. General Assembly session, urgently appealed to the big powers to resume talks on general disarmament under effective control and cessation of atomic tests.

The official communique said the Foreign Ministers were agreed that, more than ever before, the international situation makes it imperative to initiate genuine disarmament negotiations. They expressed hope that the results of such talks would help to give the debate in the 16th General Assembly a constructive character.

The Nordic Foreign Ministers regretted the interruption of the nearly 3-year moratorium on nuclear test explosions. They addressed an urgent appeal to the atomic powers to continue their negotiations with a view to reaching agreement on prohibition against such tests.

The communique emphasized that it would be desirable to admit the Peoples Republic of China as a member of the United Nations and thus solve the problem of China's representation in the U.N.

Noting that the political life in The Congo has been stabilized through establishment of a constitutional Parliamentary Government, the Nordic Foreign Ministers added: "The positive role which the U.N. has played in this connection shows the necessity for efficiency and energy within the world organizations and its organs".

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Dr. Heckscher, who has been a member of the lower house of the Riksdag since 1957, is regarded as a representative of modern, moderate conservatism. He is 52 years old. At the age of 24 he took his Ph.D. in political science at Upsala, and since 1958 he is professor at professor at Stockholm University.

In 1948 he was visiting professor at the University of Chicago, and somewhat later he organized, under the auspices of the United Nations, an institute for administrative training in Ankara, Turkey.

For many years he has been a member of the Swedish delegation to the Council of Europe, and he is thoroughly familiar with the problems of European economic integration. The new Conservative party program underlines the vital importance of European unity.

For the first time in history, all the major parties in Sweden have leaders with academic degrees. The Liberal leader, Bertil Ohlin, who took his Ph.D. at the age of 25, is an economist of international reputation. One of his teachers was the late Eli F. Heckscher, father of the new Conservative leader, who is considered one of the greatest economic historians of the modern period in Europe.

Leader of the Centre party, the former Agrarians, is Gunnar Hedlund, doctor of laws. The Social Democratic leader, Prime Minister Tage Erlander, is not on the doctoral level but finished his academic studies with a Master of Arts degree in political science, economics, and statistics.

Joke of the Week



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Sweden's Largest Hydro-Power Dam And Artificial Lake In Colorful Dalarna

A new lake, forty miles long and covering about 10,000 acres of old forest land, has been created in west-central Sweden, in the valley of the Dal River northwest of Lake Siljan in the province of Dalarna. It is the storage reservoir for a large new hydro-electric plant, built by the Stora Kopparberg company which has been in business for more than six hundred years. About 160 million kronor (\$32 million) have been invested in the project, which includes the largest rockfill dam in Sweden. The height of the dam, about 400 feet, is also a Swedish record. The plant itself, like many others in Sweden, has been blasted out underground. Two generating sets give it an effect of 200,000 kilowatts, and a third set may be installed later. Stora Kopparberg's output of electric power will now total more than 2,000 million kilowatt-hours annually.

Stora Kopparberg is regarded as the oldest stock company in existence. For centuries it was the

world's leading copper producer, and today its manufacturing plants include Sweden's largest steelworks and some of its biggest cellulose and newsprint mills. Most of its activities and holdings are concentrated in the province of Dalarna, which more than any other part of Sweden combines rapid industrial growth, as well as other modern developments, and a strong flavor of the past. The people in the romantic region where the new power plant is situated speak an ancient dialect, unintelligible to other Swedes, which sounds like a mixture of Old Norse and English. Practically all of them also speak Swedish, with a local accent.

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Trade With USA And Canada

Statistics for Norway's foreign trade in the first half of this year show that Norwegian imports from the United States had a total value of Kr. 398.2 million worth of goods to USA. This left Norway with a trade deficit of Kr. 147.3 million.

Norway's trade position vis-a-vis USA was thus considerably better in the same period of last year, when the deficit amounted to Kr. 223.3 million. In January-June, 1960 the value of imports from USA was nearly twice the value of Norway's exports to USA, totalling Kr. 448.5 million and Kr. 225.2 million, respectively. The deficit on Norway's trade balance with USA in January-December, 1960, totalled Kr. 446 million.

Figures for trade with Canada in January-June, 1961, shows Norwegian imports of Kr. 276.4 million, with exports valued at a mere Kr. 14.3 million. Norway thus ran up a deficit of Kr. 261.9 million. This was somewhat worse than in the same 6-month period of 1960, when Norway had a deficit of Kr. 244.6 vis-a-vis Canada.

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